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## Investigators Seek Tips in Preble County Arson

(COLUMBUS, Ohio) — The Division of State Fire Marshal's Fire and Explosion Investigation Bureau (FEIB) is seeking tips from the public regarding an intentionally set fire at a vacant home in West Manchester (Preble County).

The West Manchester Fire Department was dispatched to 312 South High Street at 1:58 a.m. Aug. 25. Upon their arrival, firefighters found an active fire at the vacant residential structure. FEIB investigators, along with assistance from the Preble County Sheriff's Office, determined the fire was intentionally set.

The investigation is being conducted jointly by the State Fire Marshal's office, the West Manchester Fire Department and the Preble County Sheriff's Office. A reward of up to \$5,000 is being offered by the [Blue Ribbon Arson Committee](#) for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for these fires.

Anyone with information is encouraged to call the State Fire Marshal's tip line at **800-589-2728**.



*The scene of a fire at 312 South High Street in West Manchester (Preble County).*

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